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This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Final Office Action mailed January 26, 2005 (a response to which was filed on March 22, 2005, within two months), and the Advisory Action dated May 4, 2005, the term for response to which is extended by one month by petition filed concurrently herewith to June 4, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-21 are canceled; claims 22, 23, 25, 26, 40 and 41 are a metalline of the companion of the companio 24-39 and 42 are maintained; and claims 43 and Faither added. 400.00 OP 100.00 OP

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